

Ald. Curran Will Fight Usurpation of City's Right To Regulate Its Taxicabs

Acting Mayor Denounces Public Service Commission for Rate Fixing.

HOW PUBLIC IS TRICKED.

Zones Wonderfully Made to Give Money to Favored Vehicle Company.

By Sophie Irene Loeb.

Acting Mayor Henry Curran did not mince words in his criticism of the Public Service Commission for their "usurpation" of the rates for taxicabs announced by the Westcott Express Company this week.

Alderman Curran, who is one of the staunch supporters of the present ordinance, for which The Evening World has carried on a vigorous campaign, has firmly declared that all vehicles for hire in this city must be under the supervision of the city authorities and that the power cannot be divided between the Public Service Commission and the city if the public good is to be properly conserved, the foundation for which conservation is now firmly established by the present ordinance.

Further, the Alderman means to act and will bring the matter up at the very first meeting of the board this month. He makes the following statement: "It is with regret and astonishment that I find the Public Service Commission, without consultation with any of the city officials, taking upon itself the right to establish taxicab rates in the city. For over one hundred years the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York have regulated cab fares in this city. The first draft for hackney coach rates was ordered on June 2, 1812.

"Since that time to the present day this power has always been exercised by the Board of Aldermen, under the supervision of city officials. After much discussion and great opposition from the owners of the taxicab companies, an ordinance was passed by the Board on May 27, 1913, which became operative on the first of August of the same year.

"Under this last ordinance over six thousand taxicab drivers have been licensed and are being constantly watched by the city officials. This care and attention by the city have resulted in such efficient service that the Chief of the Bureau of Licensed Vehicles informs me that although many complaints have been made against unlicensed taxicabs for overcharging, hardly one a week

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is made against public licensed vehicles.

"I am also informed that when the Board of Aldermen was discussing the present taxicab ordinance the Public Service Commission was announced by chapter 344 of the Laws of 1913, the same becoming a law on April 25, 1913, the present taxicab ordinance being passed by the Board of Aldermen on May 27, 1913. It appears that the Public Service Commission has assumed to regulate taxicab fares from the points above mentioned under this act of 1913, which, being a general law, was not sent to the city for approval. I am surprised that the Public Service Commission should take this step under a statute passed right in the middle of the agitation.

"The Board of Aldermen only lately found it necessary to amend the original taxicab ordinance by prescribing that any vehicle on which a taximeter was affixed must be licensed, thus making the taximeter the badge of a public, licensed and regulated vehicle. The larger companies fought the Board of Aldermen from the start and carried the validity of the original ordinance to the Court of Appeals, but were finally defeated in Waldorf Astoria Hotel Company vs. The City (212 N. Y. 97).

"The last amendment to the taxicab ordinance, made by the Board in reference to the meters above referred to, was also taken to the court, and it was only lately that the Appellate Division affirmed the Justice presiding at Special Term and held that the Aldermen would establish the taximeter as the badge of a public vehicle.

"I have looked over the districts and rates of fares to be charged therein handed to me, and it looks on its face as if the Public Service Commission has been too credulous in accepting the districts suggested to them. I find, for example, that the first district is a southerly direction from the Grand Central Station to Thirty-fourth Street and from Seventh to Second Avenue, where, for a taxicab taken from the Grand Central Station to the Pennsylvania Railroad Station, such a ride Hotel, a few yards outside of the first district, and that block from Thirty-fourth to Thirty-third Street, on Seventh Avenue, carries with it an increase in fare charge of 50 per cent, 25 cents being charged the passenger for that block alone.

"Take, for instance, another example in this first district: And that is the situation of the Vanderbilt Hotel, a distance of twenty or thirty yards from the corner of Thirty-fourth Street and Park Avenue to the Park Avenue Station of the Vanderbilt Hotel, a distance of twenty or thirty yards.

"The Waldorf-Astoria seems also to be in a peculiar position. If a passenger is to drive to the Grand Central Station to the Thirty-fourth Street and he would be charged the first district rate, but if he happened to instruct his driver to take a taxicab to Thirty-third Street and he would cost him twenty-five cents more, because that would be in the second district. The same situation occurs at the Hotel Alpin Hotel, where it costs the passenger 25 cents more to enter the hotel by one door than by the other.

"It might also be pointed out that the ferries on Twenty-third Street have been carefully placed in the Third District, as the Second District only runs to Twenty-sixth Street and the river.

"The regulating of fares for taxicabs by districts or zones will always lead to just such discriminations, and that is the reason that the Board of Aldermen has from time out of mind prescribed fares dependent upon distance traveled by the hackneyed coach or, in modern times, the taxicab.

"When the Board of Aldermen meets in a few days I intend to take up this matter and see if further amendments to the taxicab ordinance cannot be made, so that one rate of fare will be charged throughout the city for the general taxicab business and the public have the security that comes from official inspection and regulation of the cabs and the drivers.

"An ordinance calling for the licensing and regulating of all vehicles that carry passengers for hire on the different streets and avenues of the city, possibly excepting vehicles contracted for in writing for a period of one day or more, would meet this situation and place the control of this large and growing business where it belongs, in the hands of the city authorities.

"I might add that the supervision by the city officials is the best guarantee of safety the traveling public can have, and the fine suspension of license, or even in extreme cases, revocation of a license, vested in the city authorities, is the best way of dealing with taxicab drivers who abuse their power and defraud the passenger."

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NO. 5—ROPE SKIPPING WITH CLOTHESLINE.

By Pauline Furlong.

The Evening World's Authority on All Questions of Women's Physical Well Being.

To-day's illustrations take you back to the simple school day exercise, rope skipping, which is the most beneficial one to stir up the torpid liver, overcome indigestion and bring color to the sallow complexion. It is an excellent exercise for women of all ages, if the heart is not weak.

I have told you repeatedly that perspiration is one of the most essential things in the reduction of superfluous flesh, and I know of no easier or more economical method of bringing it on profusely than fifty jumps through the rope. Perspiration is very necessary to good health, and those who perspire freely seldom suffer from heat or cold. There are many artificial means of getting the body in a profuse perspiration, but the natural way, through exercise, is always to be recommended. The human body contains millions of little cells that open at the surface and empty the impurities and waste of the system out of the skin. This fluid from the canals of the inner part of the body must be thrown off, or we cannot live.

Therefore I would advise you to encourage perspiration, and by natural means, when it is possible for you to do so.

The average woman of thirty-five, especially if she is married and has several growing children, feels that she is too old to start the exercise, when, as a matter of fact, she is just starting to live.

Nevertheless, if you have not indulged in any outdoor games or exercises for some years, you will surely find yourself the victim of shortness of breath, heart palpitation and poor circulation when you do start. This condition is responsible for the thought that you are growing old, when in reality it is not age but absolute indifference to your health that has brought this about. If you are short of breath, you are not taking enough oxygen into your body, and without it and pure fresh air you cannot live and be healthy.

My readers who are brain workers and never take the exercises are continually sending the blood to the head, where it is most needed, at the expense of the rest of the body.

DO NOT OVERDO EXERCISES. I have tried, in the past lessons, to show you the danger of overdoing the exercises when you first start them, and you must take them very gently in the beginning until you have become accustomed to the unusual strain and have the ability to master the physical work. If you do not take this precaution the result will be a severe headache, and probably total disgust for some really beneficial and healthful exercises.

The rope skipping, shown to-day, is a splendid exercise for the arms, shoulders, legs, thighs, and in fact most every muscle of the whole body. It is one of the best for constipation and torpid liver and will banish slight rheumatic pains in very short order. My regular followers should be able to skip the rope at least fifty times without feeling particularly fatigued. Raise each knee high as you jump. After this exercise take a Turkish towel rub and a quick massage with alcohol.

Monday I will show you how ordinary potato mashers can be utilized as Indian clubs in taking some highly beneficial exercises.

Letters From Evening World Readers Following Miss Furlong's Lessons.

A. D. S. (Denver, Col.) writes: "I want to take ten pounds off my hips and thighs. What shall I do? I do not sleep much, but I eat well and a great deal of white bread. Does this keep me fat?"

Practice rolling and leg circling and you will reduce the hips and thighs. Leg swinging is also good. Follow the diet and omit white bread and you will easily lose only ten pounds.

S. L. T. writes: "Have missed the test exercises and would like to have them. Will you please tell me how to get them?"

Send 1 cent for each back number you desire and postage to cover same. Please mention the DATES you want.

J. B. writes: "How much should a man five feet seven inches tall weigh?"

From 140 to 147 pounds.

L. G. writes: "I want all of the back numbers of the swimming lessons. Please tell me how to obtain them."

These appeared Aug. 5 and 6. Send 1 cent for each and postage.

E. M. B. writes: "In reading your answer to Mrs. T. S. C. in regard to exercise to overcome constipation, you recommend trunk raising, body bending and squatting. Would you kindly advise me how to get those numbers? I am 5 feet 8, what should I weigh?"

The exercises you desire were illustrated on July 29, Aug. 2 and Aug. 9. Several good ones were also shown Sept. 1. Send me 1 cent for each number you desire and postage. Mention dates when you write. You should weigh and measure about as follows: Weight, 160; neck, 13½; chest, 33½; waist, 29; hips, 40; thighs, 25½; calf, 15; upper arm, 12½; forearm, 9½.

LOST WEIGHT—FEELS BETTER. E. K. L. writes: "Words cannot ex-



THE BROKEN COIN
by EMERSON HOUGH

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THE King looked intently at something he held in his hand. Kitty caught sight of it—it was the half coin which she had once possessed, which had been taken from her but lately by these men. Evidently Count Sachis had turned it over for his own possession. "Mademoiselle," said he, "tell me what it says. The inscription is broken. I wish to know it all. I am informed that you have seen both halves of this coin, and therefore know the entire message. Read it to me at once."

Kitty took the coin in her hand as though to study it, but swiftly put her own hand behind her back as she clutched it.

"It is my property," said she stoutly. "Not even a king can take away property without course of law."

Even a king was astonished at the effrontery of the young girl—who held her possession until two sturdy guards forced the coin from her hand. The king smiled at her, a somewhat toothless smile.

"So you value it? Many do. We are willing to pay for what we have, mademoiselle—and the message of this coin we mean to have. Give it to us, and you shall be set free."

"Your majesty is liberal—you offer what is already mine—the right to liberty. But what you ask is impossible for me. True, I have seen each half of the coin—even I saw both halves at one time—but never have I read the entire inscription."

"But you have seen both halves," exclaimed Cortislaw. "If this were in the olden days the torture chamber would show you something. But now?"

"The torture could bring only deception from me, your majesty, and that deception would be of no service to you. I have told you the truth—and that alone can serve you. Give me my liberty again—and then perhaps I might learn more of the other half of the coin."

"The king argues well," said Cortislaw. "I am not sure whether or not she speaks truth, but her argument goes to the same thing in either case. Let her go under guard; perhaps something may arise to give us further insight to this."

"As for you, Count Sachis, you have not yet succeeded in what was asked of you—you have not yet taught us where lies the hidden treasure of Gretchon!"

"Your majesty," replied the count, "redemption, it is but inadvertence which shall be amended. In my zeal I fancied your majesty would rather have this young woman than to have the treasure of Gretchon. To secure what may require yet more time."

The king fixed on him the cold smile which his courtiers had learned to dread, yet he could not forbear to

HURON CLUB TO HOLD TAMMANY JUBILEE.

The Huron Club, the Democratic organization of the First Assembly District, will hold its annual outing at White's Green, College Point, to-morrow. The patrons will be led to the destination by Young Battery Dan Finn. Special celebration will be made of the return to the Tammany Hall General Committee of "Bill" Crowley and "Charlie" Jacobs. The committee are Frank Farrell, who has donated a prize for the winners of the annual game; Henry Chisholm, William Kennedy, Thomas O'Connell, William J. A. Coffey, John Kennedy, Dick Malloy, Humbert Fagnano, Joseph Tomasko, Dr. Farrell, Joseph E. Farrington, Alderman Hamilton, Assemblyman Ryan, ex-Assemblyman Connelley, Hiltz Harrison, President of the Huron Club, and others. Prizes have been provided for all the athletic contests.

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HOLIDAY TRIPS. Up the Hudson Sunday & Labor Day. Newburgh, Poughkeepsie & Return, \$1 on the big, handsome steamer BENJ. B. ODELL. ROXBURY, N. Y., Sept. 4.—Three thousand persons applauded an historical pageant that was presented on the grounds of Kirkside Park, the summer residence of Mr. and Mrs. Finley J. Shepard, who was Helen Gould.

Mr. and Mrs. Shepard, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shepard and the daughters, Dorothy and Helen Gould, of the elder Gould, appeared as Highland people of 150 years ago. Jay Gould was born in this place and here stands the Jay Gould Memorial Church. Three hundred people were in the cast of the pageant yesterday, given by the citizens of Roxbury to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the John Moir Association, of which Mrs. Shepard is Second Vice President. John Moir, a sturdy Scotchman, with his family, settled among the Indians in this part of the Catskills in 1773. Roxbury was founded in 1758. Abraham Gould came from Connecticut and settled there. John Moir was an ancestor of Mrs. Helen Gould Shepard. One of the most interested spectators was John Burroughs, the famous naturalist, whose summer home, Woodchuck Lodge, overlooks the Gould estate, where the pageant was produced.